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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Election/Restrictions*

Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in response to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claim(s) 1-12, drawn to a structure of a carrier member composed of a ceramic for electronic components, classified in class 336, subclass 65.

Group II, claim 16, drawn to a method for manufacturing an electronic component, classified in class 29, subclass 602.1.

The inventions listed as Groups do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: Armin shows at fig.2 all the subject matter of claim 1. The ceramic is 15, the contact surfaces are 17b, d with further metallized surfaces 15a, 15b. Therefore there is no special technical feature linking Group I with Group II.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to elect an invention must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

### ***Conclusion***


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